

REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for indicating that claims 1-13 are allowed pending correction of all errors noted in the Office Action.

Reconsideration of the pending application is respectfully requested on the basis of the following particulars:

1. Objection to the Claims

With respect to the objection to claims 1-6, Applicant has amended claims 1-6 to correct all informalities noted by the Examiner without adding new matter. Approval and entry of the amendments are respectfully requested.

2. Objection to the Specification

With respect to the objection to the specification, Applicant has corrected all informalities, as suggested by the Examiner, in the attached substitute specification without adding new matter. In view of the amendments to the specification, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the specification.

3. Objection to the Drawings

With respect to the objection to Figs. 12-18, Applicant has amended Figs. 12-18 by labeling the drawings as "Prior Art." No new matter has been introduced. In view of the amendments to the drawings, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the drawings.

4. Conclusion

In view of the amendments to the claims, and in further view of the foregoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, it is requested that claims 1-13 be allowed and the application be passed to issue.

If any issues remain that may be resolved by a telephone or facsimile communication with the Applicant's representative, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the numbers shown.

Further, while no fees are believed to be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-4525.

Respectfully submitted,

/Donald R. Studebaker/

Donald R. Studebaker

Registration No. 32,815

Studebaker & Brackett PC
1890 Preston White Drive
Suite 105
Reston, Virginia 20191
(703) 390-9051
Fax: (703) 390-1277
don.studebaker@sbpatentlaw.com